

MORE WARLIKE DEVELOPMENTS

The Government Buys Two New Brazilian Warships.

SPANISH SQUADRON SAILS Cadiz Fleet Closely Followed by United States Boats.

Washington, March 14.—The developments of today in the American-Spanish situation were these: The consummation of the purchase by this government of the cruisers Amazonas and Admiral Abreu, building in England for Brazil; the sailing from Cadiz presumably for Cuba of the Spanish squadron, and the almost simultaneous departure from Lisbon in the same direction of the United States war vessels Helena and Bancroft; and the denial of the Spanish minister and by Senator Juan Abalos that the latter was in Washington as a commissioner from the Spanish government to make overtures for a settlement of the Cuban question.

There was also a report that Spain had purchased the battleship O'Higgins from Chile, but this was not confirmed. Meanwhile, the greatest activity continues in the line of army and navy preparations for possible hostilities.

The negotiations for the purchase of the Brazilian warships had been pending for a week and were doubtless hurried to a close because of the knowledge that the Spanish agents had been striving to secure them. It is said that the cruisers would, in the event of war, be of much greater value to Spain than to the United States. The next question is how to get the ships home and what has not yet been settled, according to the secretary of the navy. The United States flag will be hoisted over the new ship within a week probably and just as soon as the crew can be put aboard the Amazonas she will start for the United States. The other vessel will follow at the earliest possible moment. The terms of sale are secret.

AVAILABILITY OF SHIPS.

The availability of the two Brazilian ships was first brought to the attention of the navy department by Mr. La Roche, agent of the Maxim-Nordenflicht company, who was authorized to dispose of those ships building at Elswick, and two others in course of construction in France. Mr. Lane said today that the two ships purchased would be a most desirable acquisition to the American navy, as they were the latest and best products of the famous Armstrong yards. One of the ships is complete in every respect, has her coal supply and ammunition on board and steam can be raised at any time. There will be no trouble in bringing this ship across, as an adequate force from the local yards can be secured for the purpose of taking the coal and ammunition on board passed with the sale to the United States. The ammunition is not all of the kind in use by the United States navy, so that the supply of ammunition is a necessary adjunct to the new ships. The other ship has been launched, but it will take some time to make her ready for sea. Mr. Lane believes, however, that there will be no difficulty in bringing her over immediately if it is desired to make the move without delay, as the hull of the ship is so well along that she could be towed and her own sail power utilized for the trip across.

A dangerous deficiency in the engineer branch of the navy has been brought to light strikingly in the fact that it is scarcely possible to secure a staff of engineers officers to bring back to the United States any of the ships purchased abroad. A short time ago when orders were given to rush the work of putting the cruiser Chicago in shape for active service, the engineer in chief proposed that he would have the ship ready in three months instead of six as was estimated.

WOULD WORK DAY AND NIGHT.

To do this he would work forces day and night and to keep them at work he would place an engineer officer aboard the ship to stay there day and night. Passed Assistant Engineer Dixon was chosen for the work but he had not been employed more than a week before it was found necessary to detach him in order to find an engineer officer to act as a member of the board appointed to examination auxiliary cruisers. This state of affairs has been brought to the attention of the house naval committee but so far it has failed without meeting that degree of success which was hoped for in the shape of an amendment increasing the number of engineer officers in the service. Colonel Heywood, the commandant of the marine corps, today made five details of marines for cruisers now being repaired or ready for commission. There are two drafts of 45 each for the Philadelphia, and the Charleston at Narragansett, one of 52 for the Newark

at Norfolk, and two of thirty each for the Columbia and Minneapolis at League Island.

Senator Proctor visited the White house and up town departments today and his calls excited a good deal of interest. He spent half an hour, first with Secretary Alger, explaining, it is believed, the military situation in Cuba and afterward had a conference with Judge Day, assistant secretary of state. Then he went to the White house and was closed by a president for a quarter. When he returned from the room he courteously declined to speak regarding the nature of the information he had communicated to the president.

N. F. Palmer, representing the Quintard Iron works, of New York, which built the engines of the Maine, was at the navy department today in consultation with the officials representing the conversion of vessels of merchant marine into war craft.

Because of a protest from some of the western people, the secretary of war has modified his order of last week changing the names of bounds of the military department so as to retain the name of the department of the Missouri. To do this, however, it was necessary to abandon the naming of "the department of the Platte" and the territory included within the present limits of that department will be known as the department of the Missouri. The old name of the Missouri retains its new name of the department of the lakes.

The bureau of ordnance of the war department opened bids today for a large supply of armor-piercing projectiles and for 12,000,000 rifle ball cartridges. The bidding brought together a number of the representatives of the large steel and ammunition companies, some of whom took occasion to give assurance that in the present emergency government work would be given the preference over commercial orders. The bidders for steel projectiles, varying in size from the 3-inch steel capped shot to the 1,000 pound shot, were the Midvale Steel company, the B. Atha Illingsworth company, the Carpenter company, and the Furth Sterling company. Awards will be made within a few days.

Two estimates of appropriations to meet the cost of the recently authorized addition of two regiments of artillery to the army were sent to congress today by Secretary Alger. One was for a supplemental estimate of \$49,165 for the appropriation for the year and the other was for a deficiency of \$154,170 in the current year appropriations to defray the added expenditures for the remainder of this year.

COURT OF INQUIRY.

No Sessions Held Yesterday—Relief Stations to Be Closed in Havana.

Havana, March 14.—During the morning there was no session of the court of inquiry, the members of the court sitting on the Mangrove discussing various matters in connection with their work. Arrangements are in progress to discontinue a number of the relief stations in Havana, which are open only at certain hours, and to establish instead one large central station, which will be open for relief at all hours of the day, with four sub-stations. Rumors are in circulation here to the effect that Italian warships are about to arrive in this port, and it is further reported that the United States government will send either the battleship Iowa or Indiana to this harbor, to stay two or three hours. No cause is assigned for the latter story, nor can the report be confirmed officially. One unidentified body was recovered today from the wreck of the Maine. Important factions of the Autonomists of Matanzas and Santa Clara, representing all races, have agreed not to take part in the general or local elections next month. In some political circles the opinion is expressed that this agreement is the result of discontent, caused by the fact that the Autonomist government has been unable to give employment to the excessive number of people who have been seeking positions in the government offices.

THE READING FLEET.

Will be Placed at the Disposal of the Government in Case of War.

Philadelphia, March 14.—The Press will be placed at the disposal of the United States government has been in the city several days, on a special mission, with the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company, in regard to finding what the company wants for its fleet. The question was put to one of the officers and he said that the company did not desire to start with the fleet unless it was an absolute necessity, but if there was war the company would do all it could to help the government. The government wants to know what the company values its whole fleet at, in case of war the various vessels, barges and tugs owned by this company would be of immense service to the United States for the transportation of coal, as all the boats are built for this kind of service.

Pennsylvania Pensioners.

Washington, March 14.—The Pennsylvania pensioners, represented by Original—Robert M. Smith, Dorrance, Luzerne, 36; Francis A. King, Parsons, Luzerne, 36; Supplemental—John M. Struble, Austinville, Bradford, 22. Original widow, etc.—Nancy J. Atherton, Hunlock Creek, Luzerne, 35; Mary Miller, Scranton, 35; Rebecca W. M. Jordan, Bradford, 36; Ovidia Hudson, Kingston, Luzerne, 36; Reissu—John Winnemeter, Scranton, 32.

Famous Mine Locator Dead.

Deaver, Col., March 14.—E. C. Bassick, locator of the famous Bassick silver mine, near Silver Cliff, Col., died last night, aged 66 years. Mr. Bassick was a poor man in 1877 when he located the Bassick mine, out of which he took \$400,000, afterward selling the property for \$300,000 and \$1,000,000 stock in a company.

Burned to Death.

Chesterfield, Pa., March 14.—A miner named Jackson and his 12-year-old son were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home at O'Shanter, near here, yesterday. Mrs. Jackson and three other children saved their lives by jumping from the second story window.

THE FERN FEEDING STARVING CUBANS

Terrors of the Situation Have Not Been Exaggerated.

THE TERRIBLE FEELING OF UNREST

Reconcentrados Are Harassed by an Overpowering Dread That Hangs About Them—The Impression Is Growing That the Report of Court of Inquiry Will Not Be Presented for Some Time Yet.

Key West, Fla., March 14.—The United States dispatch boat Fern arrived here this afternoon from Matanzas. The Fern's trip was uneventful. She reached Matanzas on Saturday and at once began discharging provisions into lighters. On shore a few persons had gathered, but there was no demonstration of any kind. The share of provisions for Matanzas was got rid of in a business like way and the Fern then sailed for Sagua la Grande, where the same programme was gone through on Sunday, the operation of the landing of the stores occupying about six hours. United States Consul Barker boarded the Fern upon her arrival at Sagua. He was overjoyed to see an American ship once more even though it was only the little Fern. The consul said there were about 25,000 starving reconcentrados in his district. An officer of the Fern said to the correspondent of the Associated Press today: "It seems as if the gladness of the wretched Cubans at our arrival was stifled by the overpowering dread that hangs above the people of Cuba and that could not be dispelled even with the coming of the food for which they longed. Naturally we saw little, our way was no exploring trip. But we saw enough to convince us that the stories emanating from Matanzas and especially from Sagua la Grande are not exaggerated.

The Fern will probably go back with more provisions about Friday. The torpedoes and shells which arrived Friday were transferred today to Fort Taylor and considerable local excitement was raised over rumors that they were being placed in position. An officer who would be connected with such work, however, denied this report and said: "When you see these mines or torpedoes being placed you can make up your mind that war is more imminent than it is at present. They will not be put in position until the last moment; for however good the mine, it is always liable to become useless through the action of water.

WILL NOT RISK USEFULNESS.

"We are not going to risk the usefulness of expensive explosives by premature use," said the officer. All these torpedoes are laid in four hundred. If we laid them now they would not only be liable to corrosion, but everybody on the island would get an idea of their positions. The delicate nature of these torpedoes seems hardly to have been realized by theorists as to the Maine explosion. It would be against the judgment of all experts and the practice of all governments; for, nowadays, these weapons are laid at the shortest notice.

Although I do not think Havana harbor was mined, I know there are torpedoes in Morro castle and the naval arsenal that can be put in position very quickly. The return of the court of inquiry is warmly awaited, especially by the officers of the Maine who will have here a month next Wednesday. They have been expecting to go to their homes on every boat of late, and now the hope deferred, added to the fact that they are still without adequate wardrobe, makes them thoroughly discontented.

WAR SCARE AND STOCKS.

Other Countries Besides the United States Involved. London, March 13.—The money market has tightened considerably and an advance in the bank rate is mooted. The American demand for gold has exceeded all expectations and in addition to all the bar gold about \$2,000,000 in Japanese yen has been bought for New York. This, with the withdrawal of eagles, has induced the bank of England to raise the price of Japanese, French and German gold coins to 76s. 2d. per ounce.

The Stock Exchange is unsettled. Settlement was only got over with considerable assistance for the "lame ducks," which, coupled with the political uncertainties, keeps the market very nervous. The sharp advance in Madrid exchange is interpreted as forboding an imminent collapse in Spain unless Paris assists her.

The situation in Brazil is also making holders very uncomfortable. Foreigners generally are depressed. Argentine and Chilean range from 1 1/2 to 3 points lower, and Brazilians 4 points. Chinese and Japanese show substantial decreases; Portuguese and Turkish are leading the European declines. Home railways are distinctly lower, and Americans have been heavily, mainly on Wall street selling.

Fortune for a Missing Girl.

Stroudsburg, Pa., March 14.—Search is being made for Ella Woolbaugh, 15 years old, daughter of James and Elizabeth Woolbaugh, formerly of Smithfield. The girl, if found, will inherit an estate. When the child was only a few months old her mother eloped, taking Ella with her. Woolbaugh has since died.

Pennsylvania Postmasters.

Washington, March 14.—The president today sent to the senate the nominations of these postmasters for Pennsylvania: leader Sobel, Erie; B. J. Kuntz, Lehigh; A. M. Woodward, Reynoldsville; Frederick W. Ulrich, South Bethlehem; George W. Shaef, Susquehanna.

KILLED IN HORNING SERENADE.

Bridegroom and His Father Fire on a Party of Men with Pistol Revolvers, Frederick, Md., March 14.—Leslie Horine, a white man, 19 years old, was shot and killed last night while taking part in a horning serenade tendered to Mr. and Mrs. George Gibbon at the home of Jacob Gibbon, the old "White Horse" salaried. The bride and groom and younger Gibbon were arrested this morning and lodged in jail. George Gibbon was married on Tuesday last and took his bride to his father's home. The young men in the vicinity decided to give the bride a serenade. They were eleven in the crowd and they were armed with drums, horns, fiddles, pans, and other instruments. They arrived at the Gibbon house at 9 o'clock. As they drew near they heard a window opened and caught the remark: "Here they come now."

Stopping in front of the house, they began their noise, but hardly a minute elapsed before the shutters of a second-story window were thrown open and three pistol shots were fired in rapid succession. One of the bullets struck young Horine, and he was found lying unconscious in the road with a bullet wound in his right temple. The wounded man was carried to a nearby house, where he expired at 2:10 o'clock this morning. Both the bride and the younger Gibbon are accused of the killing, but nobody saw which one fired the revolver.

Young Horine lived on the country place of Mr. J. Roger McSherry, a few miles from the city. The Gibbons are highly respected.

DEAD ON A YACHT.

Mrs. Thurston, Wife of the Senator, Expires While on a Pleasure Trip on the Anita.

Washington, March 14.—Consul General Lee has notified the state department of the death today at Sagua la Grande of Mrs. Thurston, wife of Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, on board the yacht Anita.

Senator and Mrs. Thurston were members of a congressional party which left Port Monroe, March 2, for a pleasure trip to the coast. The party had a stormy night off Hatteras and put into Charleston. The trip was continued after a few days' rest. The Anita first touched Cuba at Havana and afterward went on to Matanzas and Sagua la Grande. The brief announcement of Mrs. Thurston's death was quite unsatisfactory to her many acquaintances in this city, and every effort was made to secure details, as the demise was unexpected. Mrs. Thurston was in excellent health when she left the city, having taken an active part in the annual convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which met here the week before her departure. Mrs. Thurston before her marriage was Miss Martha Poland, a niece of Luke Poland, of Vermont, prominent years ago in the house of representatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurston celebrated their silver wedding here last fall. They have several children. Mrs. Senator Gallinger, who was one of the party which left here for Cuba, but who abandoned the trip when the yacht reached Charleston, was greatly shocked at the announcement of the death. When Mrs. Gallinger left Charleston, Mrs. Thurston was in perfect health. The passage from Havana to Sagua la Grande was uneventful. Mrs. Thurston did not explain whether she feared a natural death or some accident to the vessel.

Havana, March 14.—Consul General Lee received the following cablegram this afternoon from Mr. Walter B. Barker, United States consul at Sagua la Grande: "The wife of Senator Thurston died on the Anita today. Shall give every attention and wire you from Bora."

Meagre advices were received from the steamer on a report about 8 o'clock this morning when the yacht was in sight of port. The Anita left Matanzas last night with all the congressional party except Congressman Smith and Congressman Cummings, who went to Sagua by rail. The passage from Havana to Matanzas was very rough and that to Sagua even worse. It is thought that this, together with the rough passage down the coast, may have hastened the end; but nothing definite is known here as to the circumstances of the death, or as to the time and place of the funeral.

RECRUITS POURING IN.

Twenty Accepted Yesterday at the Philadelphia Station. Philadelphia, March 14.—The recruiting officers at League Island navy yard were busy today. Seventy applicants for the service were examined, and twenty accepted. These were mainly coal passers and mess attendants. Landsmen are especially needed now, and under orders from Washington all men who fulfill the physical and other requirements will be sure of being taken in if not fitted for ordinary seamen. Seamen and machinists will continue to be enlisted as heretofore. The government tug Leyden will arrive in the morning, and after placing a number of Whitehead torpedoes on the tug at Philadelphia, will proceed to tow the coal laden barge Edith Howes to Key West.

President Dole at Home Again.

Honolulu, March 8, via San Francisco, March 14.—President and Mrs. Dole arrived here on March 4, but a few presidential requests there was no official welcome after his absence of nearly two months. The Baltimore and Hennington gave a salute of 21 guns to the president and the battery on the shore answered. The president expressed much pleasure at his reception in the United States and at the general favor in which annexation is held.

Drowned in the Jonina.

Holidaysburg, Pa., March 14.—Christian Kamm, of Harrisburg, Pa., was found drowned in the Jonina river near this place today. The deceased was 79 years old and leaves a widow and four children in Harrisburg. Relatives identified the remains this evening.

SETTLEMENT OF CUBAN QUESTION

Open Letter on the Subject from Dr. Gutierrez.

THE PLAN OF FORCING AUTONOMY

The Writer Cannot Believe That Such Plans Are Entertained by the United States—The Canadian Situation Not a Parallel Case.

Philadelphia, March 14.—Dr. John Gutierrez, the representative of the Cuban Junta in this city, in an open letter today discussed the published statements that there is a project on foot to settle the Cuban question on a basis of autonomy. "The plan, says Dr. Gutierrez, 'suggests for Cuba all the privileges now enjoyed by Canada. I cannot believe that such a plan is entertained by the United States government, and I feel that an appeal should be made to public opinion to pronounce itself against the consummation of such a sacrifice.'

He holds that there are two reasons why the plan of forcing autonomy should not be considered; because it would not be right, because it would not be possible. In support of the first reason he says the English flag in Canada "means conciliation, prosperity, progress; it means participation in one of the grandest evolutionary movements of the human race, while in Cuba it means the opposite—desolation, ruin, murder; it signifies participation in a movement of decadence and degeneration that has no parallel in history," he then declares it would not be honorable to insist that the Cuban people remain in a state of dependence upon a government which has made systematic starvation a procedure of war, and which under a military authority has pursued a policy of extermination. He quotes the letter written by ex-Minister de Lome in which he refers to him as Spain's trusted representative, declaring the plan of autonomy to be a farce.

Of his second reason he says: "You can wipe the power of Spain from the seas; you can crush the island and her people under your hand, but you cannot force autonomy on the Cuban people. Their contention for separation from Spain is too just; the gap between them is too deep; the debt of blood, failure and desolation is too great; and there is not a shadow of community of interests that can hold together what everything tends to disrupt. You can force a temporary peace, but Spanish domination in any form never. War with all its horrors will constantly recur."

ESTRADA PALMA'S OPINION.

New York, March 14.—Thomas Estrada Palma, the Cuban revolution party, in this city today said: "Proposition for the Cuban pacification reported to have been offered by Senator Cebellos, was not satisfactory to the Junta. "We will not consider any proposition for a settlement of the war," said he, "unless it be based upon the absolute independence of Cuba. We are willing to pay Spain an indemnity of not more than \$100,000,000. If this is not satisfactory to Spain, we will continue the war. Our resources are sufficient to do this. I will not receive Senator Cebellos unless he wants to treat on the basis of absolute independence."

MASON CHALLENGED.

Editor of the Spanish Newspaper El Cardo Wants Blood—Sarcasm Reference to Americans.

Washington, March 14.—Senator Mason today received the challenge sent him by the editor of the Spanish illustrated newspaper, El Cardo. The document is printed and is signed by the editor, the Marquis de Alta Villa. The challenge is to be a combat at sword point and is preceded by a short column of personal abuse in which Mr. Mason is described as "an ignoble Yankee scoundrel who scolds like a woman and who has not the valor to fight like a man and who would take a slap in the face without resenting it."

SPANISH SENSATION.

Reports of the Death of Cuban Insurgents Cause Joy in Madrid. Madrid, March 14.—A great sensation has been caused here by an official dispatch from Havana saying that the insurgent leaders Cayito Alvarez and Nunez have been killed by other insurgents while the former were on their way to tender their submission to the Spaniards.

For Sabbath Observance.

Harrisburg, March 14.—The Harrisburg Ministerial association, composed of the leading pastors of this city, adopted a resolution today invoking the assistance of Mayor Patterson to the enforcement of the laws for the closing of cigar stores and the prohibition of the sale of tobacco and cigars in the drug stores on the Sabbath.

The Queen's Physician Dead.

London, March 14.—Sir Richard Quain, Bart, physician extraordinary to Queen Victoria, president of the general medical council and editor of the dictionary of medicine, is dead. He was born October 20, 1816, was a fellow of several learned societies and the author of numerous medical and scientific works.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: Fair; Slightly Colder; Northerly Winds.

- 1 General—The Spanish-American Situation Unchanged. Opinions of Prominent Cubans on the New Spanish Government. Senate Votes Money for Eight Revenue Cutters. Relief for Starving Reconcentrados. The Tribune's Popular War Columns. Sermon by Rev. W. A. Carrington at Forest City. Financial and Commercial. 3 Making of a Man-o-Warman. 4 Editorial. 5 Comment of the Press. 6 Local—Many Opinions Handed Down by the Court. Opening Day of the License Court. 7 Local—The Completed Estimates Bill, Judge-Bartley Fight a Draw. 8 Local—Present Board of School Controllers Declared Illegal. Board of Control Has a Business-Like Meeting. 9 Pertrus is a Willy Bondaman. 10 Local—West Side and Suburban. 9 Lackawanna County News. 10 General—Annual Report of the Commissioner of Patents. Supreme Court Decides Against the Appellants in the Capitol Award Case.

HURRY ORDERS.

Received at the Brooklyn Navy Yard Yesterday—Gunn for San Francisco.

New York, March 14.—A hurry order was received at the Brooklyn navy yard today from Washington for a six inch gun to be sent immediately to San Francisco. The gun is a large rapid fire breech loading rifle which has been on the receiving ship Vermont. The work of transferring the gun commenced at once. It was difficult as the gun weighs 10,070 pounds.

It was one of the first rapid fire guns built for the navy, and of the old central pivot gun type. It was mounted on blocks on the spar deck of the receiving ship, where it was used for instruction. The officers at the navy yard were reticent as to what the gun was needed for at San Francisco but it was reported that there is something wrong with one of the guns of the cruiser Philadelphia, and this gun is intended to replace it.

1,500 PERSONS HOMELESS.

Floods in Canada—Overflow of the Grand and Thames Rivers.

Toronto, March 14.—Despatches from Western Ontario tell of the overflow of the Grand and Thames Rivers, causing serious damage along the valley. Sections of London, Brantford and Galt are submerged to a depth of from five to seven feet. In London 1,500 persons are homeless. Bridges and buildings have been swept away. In Brantford green and cotton fields caught the raging waters all of yesterday, but were beaten out, and West Brantford is a lake. At Galt a heavy loss was sustained by the Justin men. The ice jam in the Grand River gave way and the flood following, tore away bridges, trees and wrecked a number of factories and private residences.

GREAT COAL STRIKE.

The Miners of Central Pennsylvania Many Quit Work.

Cleveland, O., March 14.—Concerning the possibility of another great strike of coal miners, Thomas Young, manager of the M. Hanna Coal company, extensive operators in Pennsylvania, is quoted as saying today: "A strike involving about 20,000 miners will probably soon be in full swing in Central Pennsylvania. The operators declare they will not pay the Chicago scale and the miners announce their intention to strike. There will be a tremendous rush for coal with the opening of navigation on the lakes. It is probable that the Hocking Valley operators will sign the scale rather than to lose their share of the spring business."

MORE MINING BOOMS.

One Companies Preparing to Resume Operations.

Malone, N. Y., March 14.—The Cheateauquay Ore and Iron company is arranging to resume operations at Lyons Mountain and Standish. Orders have been received for iron from firms in Pennsylvania and elsewhere that have contracts with the government for steel plates for armored vessels. From two to three hundred men were formerly employed at these mines but they have been closed of late owing to lack of orders for this particular grade of metal.

SALISBURY ILL.

The Premier Ordered to Take Rest in the South of France.

London, March 14.—Lord Salisbury, the premier and minister of foreign affairs, is suffering from an attack of weakness and has been ordered by his physicians to take complete rest in the south of France. The rumor that Lord Salisbury contemplates resigning either of his offices is declared to be groundless.

Death of Charles O. Skeer.

Mauch Chunk, Pa., March 14.—Charles O. Skeer, the millionaire coal operator and director of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company, died yesterday at his home in this city. He was born in Luzerne county in 1818 and came here in 1842. He was twice married, his first wife being the adopted daughter of Hon. Asa Packer, and his second Mrs. S. Frank Walter, who survives him.

Overtime in a Bleachery.

Millville, N. J., March 14.—The Millville Manufacturing company's bleacheries are rushed with orders and were compelled to run at night last week. The normal capacity of bleaching is 25,000 pieces or about three and a quarter million yards per week. During the past week the product amounted to over 40,000 pieces.

INDEMNITY FROM SPAIN

Will Be Asked in the Case of Bolton and Richelieu.

Washington, March 14.—During its session of three hours today the senate passed a considerable number of bills from the calendar, among them being one authorizing the construction of eight new revenue cutters not exceeding in aggregate cost the sum of \$1,025,000. The national quarantine bill was made the regular order of business and will be taken up probably on Wednesday.

REVENUE CUTTERS ORDERED

Eight New Boats Will Cost \$1,025,000.

National Quarantine Bill Made the Regular Order of Business—Bill Passed to Pay the Heirs of the Late John Roach, the Ship Builder, for Labor on the Gunboats Chicago, Boston and Atlanta.

Mr. Lodge (Mass.) of the foreign relations committee, called up the joint resolution for the relief of August Bolton and Gustave Richelieu. The resolution as reported from the foreign relations committee is as follows: That the president of the United States be and he is hereby empowered to take such measures as in his judgment may be necessary to obtain the indemnity from the Spanish government for the wrongs and injuries suffered by August Bolton and Gustave Richelieu, the reason of their wrongful arrest and imprisonment by Spanish authorities at Santiago de Cuba in the year 1895; and to secure to them the right to resigning officers to employ such means or exercise such power as may be necessary.

The resolution, to which objection was made a few days ago, was passed without debate. Among the bills passed was one to pay the heirs of the late John Roach, the Chester, Pa., shipbuilder \$330,151 for labor and material, dockage and detention, etc., of the gunboats Chicago, Boston and Atlanta. The proceedings in the house today were utterly devoid of public interest. The time was devoted to District of Columbia business.

EUROPEAN SYMPATHY.

An Endeavor to Create Sentiment Against the United States.

London, March 14.—The Paris correspondent of the Times says: "According to information obtained from good sources, the Austrian emperor is making great efforts to induce the European powers to send to the United States the danger to Europe of their carrying any further their interference in Cuban affairs. "Emperor William is warmly seconding the efforts of Emperor Francis Joseph. The American government is aware of this situation. The Vienna correspondent of the Standard declares that Austria and Germany sympathize with Spain, the former being actuated by family ties between the two royal houses, and the latter by a grudge against the United States."

CHILI AND PERU.

Their Dispute Has Not Been Compromised.

Lima, Peru, via Galveston, Tex., March 14.—Private information has been received here to the effect that the minister for foreign affairs received on Saturday last a cable dispatch from Senator G. E. Billingshirst, the vice-president of Peru, dated from Chili, the tenor of which is that an arrangement of the disputes as to the disposition of the provinces of Tacna and Arica, now held by Chili under the terms of the treaty of Ancon, has not been arrived at, but is almost certain to be concluded. The Peruvians of Santiago de Chili have been congratulating each other under the belief that the arrangement was an accomplished fact. The government has ordered a general inscription of the National guard for April 15, which will include all citizens from eighteen to fifty-nine years of age.

RUSSIA'S NAVAL FUND.

Not So Large When the Time of Its Expenditure is Considered.

London, March 14.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times minimizes the significance of the Russian naval credit. He says: "The sum is not so large, in view of the fact that it is to be spread over the next seven years. The minister of marine, Admiral Tiroff, asked 200,000,000 roubles six months ago, but owing to budget considerations only 90,000,000 were granted, which practically exhausts the free balance."

Juryman Threatened.

Hazleton, Pa., March 14.—Alfred Washburn, one of the jurors who served in the case of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, stated today that he has been discharged by Houtz Bros. Freedland carriage makers, because the firm was threatened with a boycott in case of his retention as an employee.

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, March 15.—In the middle states and New England, today, clear to fair weather will prevail with light northerly and westerly winds, shifting to westerly and easterly and slightly lower by slowly rising temperature. On Wednesday, in both of these sections, fair to partly cloudy, slightly higher temperature, with fresh easterly to southeasterly winds followed by rain in this section.